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Listing of the Claims

Claims 1-17 (CANCELLED)

Claim 18 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): A method for treating <u>a</u> subject having onychomycosis <u>wherein the method comprises eomprising topically</u> administering <u>to a nail of a subject having onychomycosis</u> an effective amount of an antifungal agent compound having a group represented by the formula

(I):
$$\begin{array}{c|c} (CH_2)_m & R^1 \\ \hline (CH_2)_n & R^2 \end{array}$$

wherein, R^1 and R^2 are the same or different and are hydrogen atom, C_{1-6} aklyl group, a non-substituted aryl group, an aryl group substituted with 1 to 3 substitutuents selected from a halogen atom, trifluoromethyl group, nitro group and C_{1-6} alkyl group, C_{2-8} alkenyl group, C_{2-6} alkinyl group, or C_{7-12} aralkyl group,

m is 2 or 3,

n is 1 or 2,

or a salt thereof as an active ingredient, to a subject having onychomycosis.

Claim 19 (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED): The method of Claim 18, in which the compound is the compound represented by formula (II):

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
 & N \\
 & N \\
 & OH CH_3 \\
 & CH_2 - C - CH - N \\
 & Ar
\end{array}$$
(CH₂)_m

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
 & R^1 \\
 & CH_2 - C - CH - N \\
 & R^2
\end{array}$$
(III)

wherein, Ar is a non-substituted phenyl group or a phenyl group substituted with 1 to 3 substituents selected from a halogen atom and trifluoromethyl group,

 R^1 and R^2 are the same or different and are hydrogen atom, C_{1-6} alkyl group, a nonsubstituted aryl group, an aryl group substituted with 1 to 3 substituents selected from a halogen atom, trifluoromethyl group, nitro group and C_{1-16} alkyl group, C_{2-8} alkenyl group, C_{2-6} alkinyl group, or C_{7-12} aralkyl group,

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m is 2 or 3,

n is 1 or 2,

X is nitrogen atom or CH, and

*1 and *2 mean an asymmetric carbon atom.

Claim 20 (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED): The method of Claim 19, in which the compound represented by the formula (II) is (2R,3R)-2-(2, 4-difluorophenyl)-3-(4-methylen piperidine-1-yl)-1-(1H-1,2,4-triazole-1-yl) butane-2-ol.